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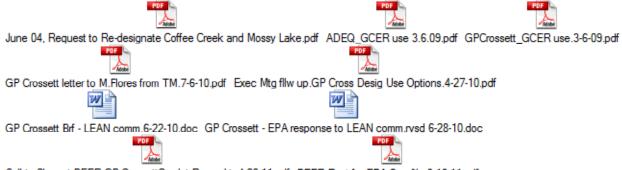
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Good afternoon Marcus. Sorry for the delayed response to your request. I have been out of the office the previous 2 weeks and am trying to catch up on email.

Responding to your request for information related to GP Crossett in Arkansas. I have attached several letters and a couple of draft briefing sheets which will provide you with some background. Without knowing specifically the reason they will be meeting with you, my guess would be they have concerns with EPA's (Region 6) push for Arkansas to reassign designated uses to Coffee Creek and Mossy Lake. These are two bodies of water to which GP discharges that had received exemptions from designated uses at some point in the past with EPA approval. This exemption is currently in effect and can be found in current state regulations. Several studies have been performed on these water bodies in recent years which indicate that aquatic life is present in these streams and should be protected. Region 6 Standards folks have been working closely with Arkansas to address this matter. Environmental groups such as Louisiana Environmental Action Network (LEAN), the Ouachita Riverkeepers, and Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility (PEER) have expressed great interest in this facility, its discharge permit and the lack of designated uses on the receiving streams.

Should you have specific questions on the reassignment of designated uses to Coffee Creek and Mossy Lake, the Region 6 WQ Standards point of contact would be Mr. Matt Hubner. Matt can be reached at 214-665-9736.

Any further questions, please let me know. Thanks.



Sulkin-Slavant PEER GP CrossettCmpInt Rspns Ltr.4-20-11.pdf PEER Rgst for EPA Overfile.3-16-11.pdf

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Larry/Michael:

Please provide any input directly to Marcus.

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Brent and Mark:

GP is coming in to talk to Nancy Stoner. Anything I need to know about GP facilities in Brunswick, GA, Palatka, FL and Crossett, AR or the activities they have undertaken? I am not familiar these facilities or the issues.

Mark: what was the EPA HQ involvement?

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